Benjamin Celey his Excellency was pleased to declare he is Lib. 41. thankful to any that put him in Mind of what he may do but since that you have not thought fit to Advise how the said P·42 Celey should be disposed of his Excellency is not inclinable otherwise than according to the Sentence pronounced against him which will be executed on Friday next.

Signed p Order W Bladen Cl Council

The aforegoing Message from the Honble Council being here read this House took it into their serious Consideration and ordered that the same be answered by the Message following Viz.

By the House of Del. 23d May 1705

By the Debates of our House relating to Benjamin Celey the Prisoner we did not intend to put his Excellency in Mind of what he might do; but only asserted the Royal Prerogative but if the bringing in of a Bill to transport him or any other Thing which may save his Life may be thought necessary if you please to signifie it to us this House will very readily concur with your Honours in any such Proposal we being very desirous that his Life may be saved.

Signed p Order W. Taylard Cl. Ho. Del.

Which being read was well approved of by the House and ordered it be sent up to the Council p M' Robert Tyler, M' Joseph Hill, M' John Mackall, & M' John Wells. They withdrew; and the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning seven O'Clock.

May 24th 1705

The House according to Adjournment again met and being called over were all present as Yesterday

M' Tyler, M' Hill, M' Mackall & M' Wells sent up with the Message last Night enter the House & say they delivered the Message given them last Night.

Bill for Sale of a Parcel of Land called Richardson's Choice for Payment of a Debt due to John Nicholls, read the second Time & committed for Amendm^t

Bill for raising an Impost of six Pence p Hhd brought by Order of the House and was read the first & second Time & do pass. And sent up to his Excellency by Mr John Contee, Mr John Waters, Mr George Muschamp, Mr Francis Dallahyde & Mr Joseph Hill, Mr John Wells, Mr Thomas Frisby, Major John Taylor & Mr Robert Tyler.

They return & say they delivered the same.